

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H3848**

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TO:	The Honorable Joe E. Brown, Chairman, House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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SUBJECT:	Pharmacists as Federally Qualified Health Centers		

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ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

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**BILL SUMMARY:**

This Bill amends the SC Code of Laws by adding Section 40-43-70 which exempts federally qualified health centers from certain pharmacy permit and regulatory requirements and allows that a licensed practitioner at a federally qualified health center may dispense drugs or devices.

**EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

Department of Health and Human Services

The Department reports this Bill will have no impact on the General Fund of the State, or on Federal and/or Other Funds as Federally Qualified Health Centers will continue to be enrolled as Medicaid providers.

Department of Health and Environmental Control

The Department reports that there is no fiscal impact on the State General Fund or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:**

None.

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

None.

Approved by:



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